Atty. Dkt. No. 016910-0475

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Masataka TAMURA et al.

Title:

UNDERWATER LASER PROCESSING APPARATUS ADD TO TOO

AND UNDERWATER LASER PROCESSING

METHOD

Appl. No.:

09/965,122

Filing Date:

September 28, 2001

Examiner:

J. Johnson

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Commissioner for Patents **Box NON-FEE AMENDMENT** Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- [] Small Entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and § 1.27 has been established by a Small Entity statement previously submitted.
- Small Entity statement is enclosed.
- [X] The fee required for additional claims is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended		Previously Paid For		Extra Claims Present		Rate		Additional Claims Fee
Total Claims:	19	_	20	=	0	×	\$18.00		\$0.00
Independents:	4	-	4	=	0	x	\$84.00	=	\$0.00
First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims: + \$280.00							=	\$0.00	
						LAIMS	FEE TOTAL:	=	\$0.00

Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) [] for the total number of months checked below:

[]	Extension for response filed within the first month:	\$110.00	\$0.00
[]	Extension for response filed within the second month:	\$410.00	\$0.00
[]	Extension for response filed within the third month:	\$930.00	\$0.00
[]	Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	\$1,450.00	\$0.00
[]	Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	\$1,970.00	\$0.00
	EXTENSION	FEE TOTAL:	\$0.00
	CLAIMS AND EXTENSION	FEE TOTAL:	\$0.00
[]	Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract	½ of above):	\$0.00
		TOTAL FEE:	\$0.00

- [] Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0741 in the amount of \$0.00. A duplicate copy of this transmittal is enclosed.
- [] A check in the amount of \$0.00 is enclosed.
- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date April 28, 2003

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AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed January 27, 2003, please amend the application as follows and consider the following remarks.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claim 16 without prejudice or disclaimer.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121, please substitute for claim 13 the following rewritten version of the same claim, as amended. The changes are shown explicitly in the attached "Versions with Markings to Show Changes Made."

13. (Twice Amended) An underwater laser processing method, comprising: